



General Assembly

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Raised Bill No. 5486

LCO No. 2096



Referred to Committee on JUDICIARY

Introduced by:
(JUD)

AN ACT CONCERNING THE ASSAULT OF A SPORTS OFFICIAL.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2014*) (a) For the purposes of
2 this section, "sports official" means any person who officiates or
3 enforces the rules at an amateur sporting or athletic event including,
4 but not limited to, an umpire, referee, judge, timekeeper or scorer.

5 (b) A person is guilty of assault of a sports official when such
6 person, with intent to intimidate or harass, or to retaliate against,
7 another person on account of the performance by such other person of
8 such other person's duties as a sports official, causes physical injury to
9 such other person.

10 (c) Assault of a sports official is a class D felony.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

Section 1	<i>October 1, 2014</i>	New section
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Statement of Purpose:

To establish an enhanced penalty for the assault of an umpire, referee or other amateur sports official.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]